

RAILROADS REDUCE
RATES ON WHEATSanta Fe Announces Cut of
Five Cents.

WAR SEEMS TO BE ON

S. W. Stevens Thinks Wichita
Is Benefited.

In order to meet the cut in freight rates on wheat made by the Missouri Pacific and Rock Island railroads, as announced yesterday, the Santa Fe last evening sent out dispatches that it has reduced the rate 5 cents per hundred pounds on wheat from all interior Kansas points to Galveston by direct route. The cut as announced by the Rock Island and Santa Fe is a reduction of 2 cents for the same weight to Gulf points via Kansas City.

S. W. Stevens of the Stevens-Scott Elevator company, said last night: "The advantage of the reduction in rates can readily be seen. The price of the product will be advanced and the movement will be greater. In my opinion it will be a great advantage to Wichita. Already, yesterday, as a result of the reduction in freight rates, we had 2 cents higher for wheat to be delivered in February. As to whether these new rates will be permanent I cannot, of course, say."

Kansas seems to be just at present the storm center for a freight rate war in grain and within the next fortnight it is likely that the state will be pretty thoroughly drained of its twenty millions of bushels of wheat which are supposed to be still held by the farmers.

It is expected that the others roads will meet the rates of the Santa Fe, Rock Island and Missouri Pacific which depend on their business on the haul to Minneapolis, Chicago and eastern ports, to run some of the business in that direction.

It is thought that the lines interested will get together within several weeks, when an adjustment of the rate situation will be made.

MEETING WAS HELD.

Arkansas Valley Racing Circuit Elects
Officers.

The Arkansas Valley Race circuit held their annual meeting in Hutchinson yesterday afternoon and elected officers for the coming year. James W. Clark of Great Bend was elected president and Ed M. Moore of Hutchinson secretary and treasurer.

This circuit is composed of the following towns: El Dorado, Winfield, Anthony, Kingman, St. John, Great Bend, Hutchinson, Wichita, Newton and Sterling. All of them were represented here by delegates or proxies and it was decided to open the fall meetings at El Dorado on August 8 and follow the route as given above. The meeting will be held here the week of September 19 and the following week at Wichita.

The following races were decided upon: Trotting, 2:30, 2:25, 2:20, 2:15, and pacings, 2:25, 2:20, 2:15, and 2:10. All of the towns are to have these races and as many others as they wish. It was also decided that there would be no purse offered for these races less than \$500 for each race. Hutchinson will likely be in another race circuit this year, including Topeka, Wichita, Ottawa, Leavenworth and a number of other cities. The fair dates are so arranged in the state this year that they will in no way conflict with each other and the races will be much benefited by this arrangement. This will bring a better class of horses here this year than was the case last year and will make a better fair in all ways.

BIRD HEARD FROM.

Talk of His Building Canning Factory
Again Revived.

Secretary Smith, of the Chamber of Commerce, is in receipt of a letter from A. Bird, of St. Joseph, Mo., stating that he will establish a large canning factory in Wichita, providing the farmers will devote a portion of their farms to the raising of sufficient sweet corn to make the enterprise pay.

Mr. Bird says it will require at least one thousand acres of sweet corn to keep the machinery of an extensive plant, such as he contemplates erecting, moving the year round. Therefore, he asks the city of Wichita to go among the farmers of Sedgewick and adjoining counties and have them pledge themselves to plant at least a thousand acres of sweet corn.

Mr. Bird has a wide reputation as a canning factory man, having a large establishment at St. Joseph, which, it is said, is one of the best equipped factories in the west.

He is anxious to locate a similar factory in Wichita and, if he finds that the farmers, upon whose shoulders the whole thing as to the producing of the canning material rests, take a deep interest in the proposition, he will go ahead with his plans and put the factory up immediately.

This factory will cost not less than \$25,000 and will not doubt be an establishment which will be an honor and a credit to the industrial development of Wichita. It will be the source wherefrom a large number of laboring men will draw a living, as the plant would employ many laborers.

Sweet corn has not been extensively raised in this section of Kansas, but the soil is fertile and well adapted to the crop. There is no doubt that it would be a profitable crop, even more profitable than the common corn. All these facts are to be considered by the farmer. Every institution that increases the valuation of the land of this country should be encouraged.

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In talking about the factory, Mr. Smith said: "I believe that Mr. Bird will come here and put up his canning business, providing he gets an assurance that he will be able to secure the goods to can. Every one knows he could not carry on this business and not get anything to can. Then the proposition stands this way: Will the farmers of this section raise sweet corn? If so, the factory is assured."

"The benefit and value that this establishment would be to Wichita and Sedgewick county every one may readily see. It would be of inestimable good to the standing in the manufacturing circles of Wichita. We, as far as we can, are ready to assist Mr. Bird in every way possible. We are always willing to help anything that is for the especial advancement and unbuilding of Wichita."

GOLD BRICK WAS SOLD

AIR OF MYSTERY SURROUNDS A
\$10,000 TRANSACTION.E. Gallant Was Called to Manhattan
Hotel to Examine the Sup-
posed Valuable.

According to persistent reports received at the Eagle office and heard of the streets yesterday, a man said to be a stranger in this city, is the victim of a gold brick swindle. With the many rumors of the affair came the news that G. M. Howe and Eugene Gallant, jewelers, had examined the brick to test its genuineness.

When a reporter for the Eagle called to see Mr. Howe last evening, he said: "A man came into my store yesterday and asked me to call at the Hotel Manhattan for the purpose of examining a gold brick. Being busy, I could not go, but asked that he bring the brick to my store. The man refused, saying that it was too big to carry. In indicating the size of it with his hands, I should judge that it was about one foot long. I then referred him to Mr. Gallant. I understood that the man paid \$50,000 for the brick, and that Chief of Police Frank Hart now has it in a trunk at police headquarters."

The next place visited by the reporter was Mr. Gallant's home, in the Thompson block. "I cannot say anything about it," said Mr. Gallant. "I promised the man that I would not give out any information regarding the deal."

After much persuasion, however, Mr. Gallant was induced to say that he visited the man in room 23, at the Hotel Manhattan. Room 23, at that hotel, prior to this morning was occupied by a man named J. Armstrong, of Wellington. Those in charge of the hotel said that they paid little attention to his actions while a guest there, but that he occupied the room all day. He left rather suddenly yesterday morning.

It was later learned from another source that the man who was victimized into buying the brick went south when he left Wichita. The man who sold the brick is also said to have occupied a room at the Hotel Manhattan, and is said to have gone north. It is understood that the police are working on the case, although it was impossible to get any additional facts from them regarding the sale.

WILL BE COLDER.

Weather Conditions Are Still Very
Much Unsettled.Forecast for Wichita and vicinity: fair
weather and cooler.

For Kansas: generally fair.
Mr. Todd gave out the statement yesterday that the weather was very unsettled. He said: "It will be colder today."

The area of high barometric pressure, central over the upper Missouri valley yesterday morning, has moved southward to Wichita, committed suicide yesterday a decided fall in temperature over Missouri. The Alberta low that was making its appearance over Assiniboia yesterday morning has developed considerably in energy and extent in the past 24 hours and now dominates the weather conditions for the entire north central portion of the country. It has caused a decided rise in temperature, ranging from 10 to 14 degrees, from western Kansas northward into Canada. The temperature continues extremely low over the upper Mississippi valley and the line of zero temperature extends as far south as southern Missouri.

The minimum temperature for the last 24 hours is 6 degrees; maximum 47 degrees.

ANOTHER OIL COMPANY.

K. W. Craner Organizes Company to
Drill for Oil.

K. W. Craner of this city has organized a company to drill for oil. Mr. Craner owns a quarter section of land lying within one mile of Moline which is in the heart of the oil district. On every quarter section surrounding his land there are numerous wells, all producing very profitable streams.

Mr. Craner's theory is that if Wichita gets gas at all it will be compelled to pipe it from the north fields and that his well can be connected with a piping system leading into this city. He reasons that the only feasible plan would be to lay the pipe along the Southern Pacific right-of-way to Winfield, thence up the Santa Fe to Wichita.

Should this be done Mr. Craner's company would, of course, have an opportunity to furnish the city with gas. Mr. Craner says they have already purchased machinery and that they will commence to drill just as soon as the necessary material can be gotten on to the grounds.

STUDENTS PRACTICED DRILL.

Fire Alarm Emptied High School in a
Short Time.

For the first time in a long while the students of the Wichita high school were subjected to a fire drill yesterday. It was a short time after school opened in the morning when the fire alarm was sounded. None knew but what it was genuine, although the best of order reigned. The students went through a fire drill taught them some time ago, but one that had not been previously tried for some time. Although no very good time was made in emptying the building the students did remarkably well. It is understood that they will be required to practice the drill regularly from this time on.

PROPOSED ROUTE
MAY BE CHANGEDInterurban Promoters Held a
Meeting Yesterday.

ROAD TO RUN SOUTHEAST

Original Plans Were to Build
Due South.

At a meeting of the directors of the Arkansas Valley Interurban Railway company held yesterday, the chief topic of discussion was a plan to change the proposed route of that road.

"The first plans called for a line to be built almost due south with the terminus at Arkansas City. If the new plans are adopted Arkansas City will still be the objective point, but the road will be built southeast from Wichita on the east side of the Arkansas river, instead of on the west side," said President Boyle last evening.

The occasion for the change in the route is said to be on account of the residents of Salem township not voting bonds for the building of the line. Since that time the promoters are said to have received some very good propositions from the residents southeast of here who are very anxious that the line be built in their vicinity.

Since the election in Salem township, which resulted in a vote of 50 for and 66 against the issuance of \$12,000 worth of bonds, a petition for another election has been circulated. Enough names have been secured. It is understood, to warrant the holding of another election, but the residents of that township have not as yet made any formal report to the directors of the railroad, if it is true that they have any such intention.

The proposed new route would take the line through Derby, Mulvane and more good towns than if built in a southerly direction from here. A regular monthly meeting of the directors will be held next Tuesday, at which time definite action regarding the changing of the route will be taken.

OIL NEAR NEWKIRK.

That Product Is Found at a Depth of
950 Feet.

While Wichita people are talking about oil and gas, men with snap in their makeup in other places are forming companies and finding the gas and oil. The latest oil well fired and now flowing oil is within fifty miles of Wichita on an air line.

Lincoln McKinley of Newkirk was in the city yesterday and he said the people of his town organized a company to find oil or gas. They put down several wells and found nothing. They finally went five miles northwest of Kaw City and about the same distance from Newkirk and put down a well and at a depth of 950 feet they found oil.

This well was fired and is now running one barrel of oil a day. The samples were sent off and the expert in the oil regions pronounced it the best oil west of Wichita.

He estimates that the well is seventy-one miles from Wichita by way of Arkansas city and sixty miles from Wichita on an air line. This is bringing the oil field still nearer to Wichita and it shows the faith of a good many people in this city that there is oil and gas right close to Wichita is not without reason. The oil said to be in the well is collected by seeping out of the sand. This is said to be the kind of wells that last. When a pocket of oil is located and pumped out that ends the well. Some of the men in this city who have kept posted on the oil and gas discoveries are now getting excited and predict that oil or gas will be found if not right in the city, so near that it can be piped in at little expense.

FARMER COMMITS SUICIDE.

J. R. Granger Shot Himself With a
Revolver.

J. R. Granger, who is quite well known in Wichita, committed suicide yesterday at his home on a farm near Arkansas City, by shooting himself with a revolver. The cause of the suicide is a mystery to his friends and the family.

Granger, however, had been a cripple and had been afflicted with rheumatism for a good many years. Mrs. Granger stated yesterday that at times when her husband's rheumatism would become real painful he would often remark that he was going to kill himself.

He leaves a wife and several children. He carried a \$2,000 policy in the A. O. U. W., and several thousand in another company.

THREE MORE WICHITANS.

Babies to That Number Were Born
Yesterday.

Dr. Taylor reports the arrival of three new babies in Wichita since yesterday morning. A nine pound girl at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Grady, 210 South Washington avenue; a ten pound boy at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Abbott, of Overton avenue and a nine pound boy to Mr. and Mrs. John Meldel, 111 North Hydraulic avenue. The doctors reports all as doing well.

REVIVAL SERVICES CONTINUE.

Special Music Is Feature of Meetings at
Brethren Church.

The revival meetings are still in progress at the United Brethren church, on Washington and Prince.

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APPLAGATE IS CHAIRMAN.

Wichita Man Elected to That Position
at State League Meeting.

A. J. Applagate, secretary of the Perpetual Building and Loan association, returned from Topeka last evening, where he had been attending the annual meeting of the Kansas League of Building and Loan associations. He reports a large attendance and much interesting information exchanged. He was appointed chairman of the executive committee, quite an important position, Wichita being recognized as having one of the best associations in the state. Mr. Applagate stated that the capital city was crowded with visitors, the mid-winter carnival, Kansas Day banquet and other attractions, bringing large numbers in on every train.

CONTRACTS ARE LET.

Wichita Man to Furnish Brick for the
Alva Court House.

W. B. Myers, of Carthage, Missouri, was in the city yesterday, in consultation with some officials from Alva, Oklahoma, concerning the construction of the court house at that place. The contract for the cut stone to be put into that building has been let to Mr. Myers.

K. W. Craner, of this city, was given the contract to furnish the brick.

DIRECTORS HOLD MEETING.

The Shattuck-George Iron Company
Elect Officers.

The Shattuck-George Iron company held a meeting of the directors in S. W. Shattuck's office, in the Sedgewick block, and elected the following officers:

F. W. George, president; W. R. George, vice-president; S. W. Shattuck, Jr., secretary and treasurer.

CHAUTAUQUA CIRCLES.

The Peerless Chautauqua Circle will meet Monday evening with Mrs. Spencer, 121 South Emporia, Program:

Roll Call—Quotations from Lowell.
Racial Composition of the American People to "The Jews"—Mrs. Ellis.
Literary Leaders of America (Lowell and Whitman)—Miss Andrews.
Selections from Lowell—Miss Spencer.
Review of Geographic Influences in American History.

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The East Side Circle will meet with Mrs. T. E. McLaughlin, Tuesday evening, February 2, Program:

Hawaii and the Philippines in Chant—Mrs. Hutchison.
Evolution of Industrial Society (chapter 2, concluded)—Miss Wolfe.
Paper—Mrs. McLaughlin.
Music—Miss Haines.
Roll Call—Current events and quotations from Irish poets.

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